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Water Quality Report

I have had a chance to review the report and cover letter.

I think the cover letter's 2nd paragraph should read:

The Port of Portland's water quality program consisted of a four-phased approach that included: 1) in-situ testing for sediment quality characterization of the dredged material prior to dredging, as well as ellutriate water quality characterization (at T-6 only), 2) turbidity and chemical monitoring of the water column during dredging activities; 3) cointinuous visual monitoring of surface water turbidity during dredging; and 4) ellutriate water quality sampling following placement of the dredged material into the Suttle Road Rehandling Pilot facility.

The last bullet in the Hart Crowser letter does not appear to me to be accurate: We did see a turbidity plume during operation within 100 feet. Movement of the plume was limited due to abnormally low water, but background turbidity was low.

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